

# AMERICANS IN MOSCOW SAFE, PREPARE TO FLEE

## German Drive in East to Guarantee Ukrainian Peace

### SAYS CHAOS IN COAL INDUSTRY IS BIG MENACE

Sen. Reed Assails Fuel Administration and Government in Report on Committee's Probe.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—America will be confronted by a coal shortage of the most disastrous character in the near future unless the chaos now existing in the coal business disappears, Sen. Reed of Missouri, chairman of the senate committee on coal, said today in a report summing up the committee's findings.

Sen. Reed attacked the fuel administration and government's interference generally in the coal business. He laid the blame for the interference with coal production, consumption and prices, to these causes:

(1)—The fixation of prices by the Lane committee and the subsequent repudiation of the authority of that committee.

(2)—The lapse of nearly 60 days between the repudiation of the prices of the Lane committee and the promulgation of new prices by the federal trade commission.

(3)—The constant assurance given to the public of an abundant supply of coal, together with advice not to purchase at current prices.

The uncertainty produced by these acts, he charged, led consumers to postpone buying in their supplies and created an unprecedented demand late in the season.

Canada Over-supplied.

"We pause at this point to remark," he continued, "that the coal sent to the northwestern states and to Canada in excess of their consumption for 1916 was 6,877,550 tons, or 1,964,655 tons more than enough to have bunkered all of the ships leaving New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Hampton Roads for foreign ports during the year 1917.

"If one-tenth of the energy expended in getting a surplus of coal to the northwest and to Canada had been expended in delivering bunker coal, no ship would have been obliged to remain in port for a single hour because of the lack of fuel."

Answering Dr. Garfield's assertion that the factory closing order had greatly reduced the number of ships held in American harbors through lack of coal, Sen. Reed declared the shipping board's records showed that on Jan. 29, there were only 56 fewer vessels held in port than on Jan. 17. This covered the period referred to by Dr. Garfield, he said.

Transportation Wasted.

Referring to the shortage in the east, Sen. Reed declared "thousands of miles of transportation were wasted" and that "the record is replete with evidence of the utter failure of priority orders."

"Amidst the chaos now existing in the coal business from the mine to the retail yard," Sen. Reed continued, "one fact indisputably appears, namely that uncertainty must at once give way to stability or we will in the near future be confronted by a coal shortage of the most disastrous character.

"It seems equally plain that the consumers of coal must be told with reasonable certainty what coal prices and what coal contracts they can rely upon.

Wants Prices Announced.

"In view of the fact that practically all coal contracts will terminate on April 1, there should be an immediate announcement of the prices and contracts which will be allowed and that a fixed period of time should be stated within which the business world may safely contract and calculate.

"It is plain that prices must be reasonably remunerative. If this is denied the maximum of production cannot be expected.

"Obviously, this great fundamental business ought not to be wrested from experienced hands and taken over by those who, however good their intentions, are utterly lacking in that knowledge necessary to its successful conduct."

### Two Burned to Death in Home at Terre Haute

International News Service: TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 26.—Frederick Uncell, 70 years old, and his granddaughter, Mrs. Grace Watts, 26 years old, were burned to death in a fire which wrecked their home early today.

Albert Watts, husband of the dead woman, lost trace of his wife in the smoke when she went to search for her grandfather. Watts escaped. Both bodies were badly charred.

### COUNTY TO HAVE BIG FOOD SHOW

Many Organizations to Help Make Local Exhibition a Great Success.

South Bend and St. Joseph county, following the example of Chicago and other cities, is to have a food production, conservation and thrift show. The show will take place in the high school building, March 12 to 16, inclusive.

Daily demonstrations of canning, drying, and other similar work are to be held, grocery displays will be on exhibition, and lectures on various topics will be given each evening. More than 50 booths will be established.

"The purpose of the show," explains John S. Borden, county agricultural agent, "is to educate for a thorough going readjustment of the community to the emergency necessitated by the war time demand for greater production, persistent and practical thrift, and more consistent conservation and substitution of food."

Pictures and Lectures at Night.

The show will be open between 10 and 12 o'clock each morning, 1:30 to 3:30 in the afternoon, and 7:30 to 9 o'clock each evening. Moving pictures, music and lectures will make up the evening programs, while demonstrations and the like will take up the morning and afternoon sessions.

Organizations working on the show are the high schools of South Bend and Mishawaka, the public

### WOULD WELCOME ACTION BY JAPAN

Active Participation of Island Men in Russia is Possibility.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The suggestions coming through unofficial Japanese sources that Japan is about ready actively to participate in the war going to the aid of the anti-bolshevik elements in Siberia, deeply interested Washington today. Officials refused comment. It was pointed out that it would be unwise to do so inasmuch as Japan intends to get into action against the German dominance and control of Russia her plans should not be interfered with in advance.

It was very frankly explained in official quarters that the United States "has every and all confidence in Japan and her rulers" and that whatever action she finally takes will be enthusiastically approved by the United States and all of the entente.

Japan will protect the Pacific should Russia become a German vassal state, as now seems certain, officials said today. The United States will be left free to concentrate all of its men, money and ships on the island in France, its great weight in everything war like which has been entirely counted on by the entente to weight down the scales against the German military machine, will be delivered exactly as originally counted on.

The Russian developments will not change this in any way, officials say. On the contrary they will simply speed up all war preparations here and make easier the carrying out of Sec. of War Baker's promise that the full military strength of America will be put into the field without delay.

### HERTLING'S TALK INSINCERE BLUFF CAPITAL THINKS

All Speculation on Peace by Negotiation is Ended in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—All talk of a possible "peace by negotiation" has ended in Washington today. Count von Hertling, the imperial German chancellor, in qualifying his "acceptance" of the four principles of peace enunciated by President Wilson, has convinced officialdom here that Germany wants to fight on.

The adroit phrases used by the chancellor, officials declared today in private conversations are "mere camouflage." His so-called reserve that the declarations of the president must be accepted by all of the entente, coupled as it was with a new threat against the integrity of Belgium, left no doubt here that the German militaristic policy is to be carried out to the limit.

Ends Uncertainty.

Officials have rather welcomed this development. It has ended uncertainty for some time to come. While no official statement is forthcoming as to the president's views—no one but himself has the right to speak for him—it is expected that within the near future the chief executive will make it plain for the benefit of the war parties of Germany and Austria, that Count von Hertling again has made a serious error.

Germany's aggression in Russia has come at a bad time when considered by the peace utterances of her statesmen, officials say. Accepting at their face value the declarations of the German chancellor that Germany is willing to negotiate for peace it must be plain to everyone when Russia's plight is considered, officials here pointed out today, that she is not willing to make the slightest concession to meet the conditions laid down by the president.

Said to decline this tribunal as prejudiced—the tribunal of the entire world—joyfully as I would greet it if an impartial court of arbitration existed, and gladly as I would cooperate to realize such ideals," the imperial chancellor declared. And, this declaration, officials pointed out, coupled with his announcement on the Belgian situation shows that the present rulers of Germany will have no peace except a peace "made in Germany."

And, such a peace is exactly what the United States will not consider for a moment.

### 13th District Democrats to Meet Tomorrow

Democratic county chairman of the 13th congressional district, accompanied by their precinct committeemen, will meet with Dist. Chairman E. A. Gray of Warsaw, at the Oliver hotel Wednesday for an organization meeting to be addressed by Fred Van Nuy, secretary of the Indiana state democratic committee, and Ralph W. Moss, director of the Indiana Democratic league. The chairman and committeemen will have luncheon at the Oliver at 12:30 o'clock to be followed by the discussions of organization methods, which the state secretary and league director have in mind.

It is expected that not less than half the precinct committeemen will meet with their county chairmen at this meeting, which results from a gathering of the county chairmen held here two weeks ago. Arrangements for the luncheon were made Tuesday by County Chairman Frank May, Jr. Sec. Van Nuy, who comes with a message from State Chairman Charles A. Greathouse, was democratic floor leader of the senate during the 1915 general assembly, and Director Moss, a former congressman from the fifth district. The work of organizing democratic leagues in northern Indiana will be taken up by the latter.

### WILL NOT IMPRESS ENTENTE NATIONS.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 26.—Despite the fact that Count von Hertling, the German chancellor, told the entente that he agreed fundamentally with the four underlying peace principles laid down by President Wilson on Feb. 11, the belief was expressed in diplomatic circles today that the chancellor's address would not make a favorable impression in the entente capitals.

The partial account of the speech received here at the time this telegram was written indicated that allied statesmen could find ample grounds for charges of insincerity against the German chancellor.

Chief material for such an accusation lies in the open war of aggression against Russia which Germany is now waging.

### HELD TO GRAND JURY FOR FAILING TO FILE DRAFT QUESTIONNAIRE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 26.—Charles W. Flanagan, a farmer living near Lebanon, charged with failing to file his questionnaire, today is held to the federal grand jury under \$1,000 bond. Flanagan denied the charge brought before United States Commissioner Charles W. Moores. Sheriff Lewis of Boone county and a number of other witnesses declared Flanagan had openly asserted in the past that he would not return his questionnaire. Sheriff Lewis said that while there seemed to be no widespread plot in Boone county to evade conscription, Flanagan was the most obstinate case that had come to his notice. It was said that both Flanagan and his brother were forced to register when they failed to act voluntarily.

### Hertling Again Tries to "Pass Buck" to Allies

International News Service: AMSTERDAM, Feb. 26.—"A tangible peace is assured unless the entente powers are deaf to humanity and reason by adhering to their aims of conquest and a desire to continue the war," Count von Hertling, the German chancellor, was quoted as saying in addresses from Berlin today, giving further details of his speech before the Reichstag.

The chancellor was quoted further as saying that the advance of the Germans in the east was designed only to make the Ukrainian peace good.

"Germany has no intention of conquest nor of establishing herself in Estonia and Livonia," the dispatches reported the chancellor as adding.

Count von Hertling said "there were other voices audible in England, notably Walter Runciman, former president of the British board of trade, and Lord Milner, evidently meaning by this that he has thought there was a difference of views in England as to the continuance of the conflict.

The chancellor went on to say that it was necessary to look after the interests of Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey regarding Roumania, adding:

"We must and will make friends in those states which, thanks to our armies are now to conclude peace."

### KENTUCKY GUN FIGHT MAY LEAD TO ARRESTS

CLAY, Ky., Feb. 26.—Arrests are expected today following a factional gunfire in which Frank Beadler, was shot to death in a battle behind box cars. Had feeling existed for several days between Beadler and clans which were inimical to him.

Twenty shots were fired at Beadler from behind railroad cars, nine of which riddled his body. Over a score of men were lying in wait for Beadler.

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### FACED WITH CONTRACT, AGED PUBLISHER DOESN'T WANT DIVORCE AFTER ALL

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 26.—The divorce suit of Jacob Feudner, 67, publisher of the Rocky Mountain, and the cross complaint and plea for \$300 a month alimony of Mrs. Belle Feudner, halted suddenly in the district court here at the request of counsel for both sides. It cost Feudner \$2,500 for attorneys' fees and court costs to learn he did not want a divorce. The aged publisher made this discovery when Mrs. Feudner was preparing to offer as evidence a prenuptial agreement which the husband believed had been destroyed.

### PHONE OPERATOR PUMMELS GERMAN SYMPATHIZER

Three cheers for the South Bend telephone operator who gave a "carp" named Lena a much deserved pummeling when the latter said she didn't care who won the war. "Well, I do!" declared the spunky American girl, as she rained a fusillade of blows on the pro-German's face and head before the latter could get out of reach of the belligerent one and scamper off toward home without even waiting to avenge her badly disarranged tresses.

### PRODUCTION RECORD BROKEN.

VINCENNES, Ind., Feb. 26.—The world's record for coal production was shattered here, it was announced today when the American coal mine in this county hoisted out 5,811 tons in eight hours yesterday. The previous mark was 5,550, held by an Illinois mine.

### GERMANS PLANNED TO MAKE ENGLISH 'FOREIGN' TONGUE

Alliance Urged Extension of Teaching Language to Dominate Schools.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Bulletins distributed among the membership of the National German-American alliance in 1904, urging that the teaching of German in the public schools be so extended that English would come to be considered the "foreign" language, were read to the senate judiciary subcommittee Monday by Gustavus Ohlinger of Toledo, O., continuing his testimony against the alliance as an unpatriotic organization. Since that time, the witness said, the alliance has conducted a constant campaign in behalf of the teaching of German.

The subcommittee is considering a bill by Sen. King of Utah, which seeks to dissolve the alliance. Officials of the organization are to be heard next Saturday, according to the present plans.

The bulletins referred to by Ohlinger were printed and bound under the title German-American annals, and were published before the alliance was chartered. Some of them, as translated by the witness advanced the idea that Germans coming to the United States should in "thought, action and deed" remain Germans, though taking out citizenship papers to get to vote.

Conducted Campaign For Funds.

Mr. Ohlinger testified that the alliance conducted a campaign to raise money to aid in the defense of an editor of a German language publication, Gustav Jacobson, who had been indicted for treasonable utterances; that the bulletins failed to condemn the sinking of the Lusitania or the invasion of Belgium, and that a meeting of one of the subordinate organizations in St. Louis after the Lusitania sinking a resolution was adopted reciting that the United States government should thank Count von Bernstorff for his having warned passengers not to sail on that boat. In only one issue since American went to war, he said, there had been any commendatory reference in the bulletins to the part played by the United States.

Ohlinger told the committee that Gustav Jacobson, formerly president of the Chicago for having participated in plots to destroy plants manufacturing munitions, also was a leader in the movement to stop the shipment of supplies to England, and that the alliance was favorable to the propaganda to stop the shipment of supplies to the allies before the United States entered the war.

### Refers to Spy Book.

The witness referred to a book "German Spies in England," written by William Lequeux, who he said, quoted the German emperor as having said in 1908 that C. J. Hexamer, Philadelphia, formerly president of the alliance, had been of great service to the German cause. The words attributed to the kaiser were: "If a man ever was worthy of decoration at my hands it was Herr Dr. Hexamer, the president of the league, who may justly be termed to be by my grace, the acting ruler of all Germans in the United States."

In his testimony on Saturday, Mr. Ohlinger said that Dr. Hexamer received the order of the fourth order of the red eagle in 1904 from the kaiser for his services to German "kultur" in the United States.

### Partner Comes to Search.

Thursday night, after Turner had been confined in the city jail for two days, John A. Murry of New Richmond, a business partner of Turner, arrived in the city in search of Turner. He went to the office of Atty. John Devine, and in company with the attorney, went to the police station where an effort was made to see Turner. This was refused by the desk sergeant who said it was under orders of Asst. Chief Cassidy.

### Get Judge's Order.

The captain on duty Thursday night was also asked for permission

### Sen. Swanson Attacks Propaganda Designed to Cripple U. S. in War

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Charging that there is "insidious and treasonable propaganda being conducted in this country misrepresenting the causes impelling this country to wage war against Germany," Sen. Swanson of Virginia, who has often spoken for the administration today set forth in the senate, the causes which forced the United States into the war.

In making his charges against the alleged propaganda, Sen. Swanson said: "Engaged in this work is a motley crew composed of fanatics, German spies and sympathizers, persons corrupted with German gold and promises, offered by a few selfish politicians who foolishly think they see a chance for self advancement, although it may result in a wreck of the country."

Not Confined Here.

"This German propaganda is not confined to this country," Sen. Swanson said, "but it has arisen in every country where German gold, spies and influence could permeate. It has strangled the new, hopeful Russia and is now obtaining its treachery what it could never obtain by arms—the making of Russia the political slave of Germany. During two of the most critical years of the war it enabled the traitorous Greek king to thwart the noble aspirations of his people. It almost brought disaster to Italy. But, sir, the defenders of our citadel of civilization and liberty shall not be betrayed by false friends within."

Sen. Swanson then proceeded to enumerate the acts of the United States which manifested its neutrality during the early days of the war. He related the circumstances of attacks against American vessels off German submarines and declared that those were sufficient cause for war, which culminated in "the impudent and infamous order" of last February setting up a submarine zone.

A Brighter World.

"When the great storm of battle shall break away and disappear, there will emerge an entirely new world—either a brighter one, blessed with increased liberty, justice and hopes for permanent peace or a darker one dominated by military autocracy and despotism ruled by brutal force and ominous of further to discuss Roumanian conditions. Sec'y Lansing refused positively today to discuss for publication the von Hertling speech.

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Failing to Get "Settlement" in Cash, Prosecutrix Drops Case Against Turner.

TURNER, Feb. 26.—A startling story of incarceration in a cell at the city hall, the circumstance of which savor of the Spanish inquisition, were brought to light Tuesday morning when the charge of seduction filed against John H. Turner, a wealthy man of New Richmond, Ind., brought by Helen Galloway, 516 N. Main st., was dismissed at the request of the plaintiff in city court.

The story deals with solitary confinement in a dark cell for two days with the privilege of communicating with an attorney denied the prisoner, and only after a written order from Judge Gilmer of the city court was he allowed to communicate with a lawyer.

The story further deals with alleged offers upon the part of the assistant chief of police of South Bend and the counsel for Miss Galloway to Turner to settle the case without going to trial or employing an attorney.

Arrested on Feb. 12.

Turner was arrested on the afternoon of Feb. 12. According to his story, the warrant issued upon the complaint of Helen Galloway was served by Asst. Chief of Police Cassidy at the Jefferson hotel about 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

"The assistant chief said that he did not see how I could be arrested for anything like that," said Turner, Tuesday morning, after the case had been dismissed in city court.

"I walked to the police station with him," continued Turner, "after we reached there, the assistant chief left, and I was placed in a cell. I repeatedly requested that I be allowed to obtain an attorney's services. These requests were as repeatedly refused. I was visited by the assistant chief upon several occasions in company with an attorney. They wanted to know why I wanted to pay \$200 or \$250 for an attorney when I could settle the trouble without one."

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### \$100,000 DISPATCHED BY EXPRESS DISAPPEARS

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 26.—City and state detectives and agents of the Adams Express Co. were engaged today in running down clues in connection with the mysterious disappearance of an express package said to contain between \$65,000 and \$100,000 ranging in denominations from \$5 to \$100.

The money had been consigned from a Pittsburgh bank to a manufacturing concern at Denver, Pa., for its pay roll. Three employees, one a \$70-a-month clerk, were reported as missing.

Express company officials were reluctant to discuss the case today, although admitting a large sum of money was missing.

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### HENPECKED HUBBY WILL BE A HERO.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Take it from Sarah Gosh, of India and London, who is a prince in spite of his name, the time is coming when the henpecked hubby will be a hero instead of an object of pity.

Chivalry was born in India hundreds of years ago. Prince Sarah declared here today.

"I don't know, I'll ask my wife," is as old as India, he said, and a phrase to glory in.

### CONSUL STARTS FOR SAMARA WITH PARTY

United States Citizens in Russia Move Out of Path of Advancing German Army.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The state department has received a dispatch from the American consul general at Moscow, saying that all Americans there are safe. He is making arrangements for their removal to Samara, 400 miles eastward. The understanding in Moscow is that the Germans are proceeding toward that city.

Another dispatch dated Feb. 23, stated that the Roumanian premier was then en route to Bucharest to meet the German and Austrian foreign ministers. It is believed here that the object of this meeting is to discuss Roumanian conditions. Sec'y Lansing refused positively today to discuss for publication the von Hertling speech.

### GERMAN TROOPS MOVE FORWARD.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 26.—German troops that occupy the Russian naval base at Revel, at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, are moving in the direction of Taps, according to a report from a German source today.

Taps is 41 miles northeast of Revel and 150 miles southwest of Petrograd. It lies on the Revel-Petrograd railway. From announcements made by the German war office, it is apparent that the Germans are following the railway routes in their advance.

### BOLSHEVİK TROOPS OFFER RESISTANCE.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 26.—Bolshevik troops are offering resistance to the advancing Germans at a number of points, according to information received here today.

Violent fighting was reported from Pskov, 165 miles south of Petrograd. A number of workmen joined the bolshevik troops and made a determined effort to drive them back.

Pskov is said to have changed hands more than once. Workmen in Petrograd are being named to defend the capital.

At last reports there had been no developments in the Russo-German peace negotiations.

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